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METHOD FOR PREPARING A POLYCARBOXYLIC COMPOSITION COMPRISING AN
ELECTROCHEMICAL OXIDATION STAGE OF A MONOSACCHARIDE COMPOSITION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are
respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified
application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this
paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** is attached following the signature page of
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